



2015 SESSION

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[Signed by Chairman]

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BUSINESS REPORT

**MONTANA SENATE
64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE FINANCE AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2015
Place: Capitol

Time: 8:00 AM
Room: 317

BILLS and RESOLUTIONS HEARD:

HB 180 - Revise regional water laws - Rep. Bridget Smith
HB 191 - Revise laws governing investigations of abuse at Montana state hospital - Rep. Jennifer Eck
HB 244 - Fund litigation protecting Montana products in interstate commerce - Rep. Jeff Essmann
HB 588 - Revise laws related to a reduction in funding - Rep. Rob Cook

EXECUTIVE ACTION TAKEN:

Comments:

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SEN. Llew Jones, Chair

MONTANA STATE SENATE
ROLL CALL
FINANCE AND CLAIMS
COMMITTEE

DATE: March 11, 2015

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT/ EXCUSED
Chairman Jones	X	
Vice Chair Keenan	X	
Senator Blasdel	X	
Senator Brenden	X	
Senator Caferro	X	
Senator Hamlett	X	
Senator Hansen	X	
Senator Howard	X	
Senator Keane	X	
Senator Moore	X	
Sen. Phillips	X	
Senator Ripley	X	
Senator Rosendale	X	
Senator Sesso	X	
Senator Smith	X	
Senator Taylor	X	
Senator Webb	X	
Senator Windy Boy	X	
Senator Wolken	X	

MONTANA STATE SENATE

SENATE FINANCE AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

HB 244 - Fund litigation protecting Montana products in interstate commerce

Sponsor: **Rep. Jeff Essmann**

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SENATE FINANCE AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE

Sponsor: **Rep. Bridget Smith**

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Sponsor: **Rep. Jennifer Eck**

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Additional Documents

SENATE: Finance & Claims

Date: 3-11-15

Bill No. HB 180

MONTANA COAL SEVERANCE TAX



Department of Natural Resources & Conservation
January 2015

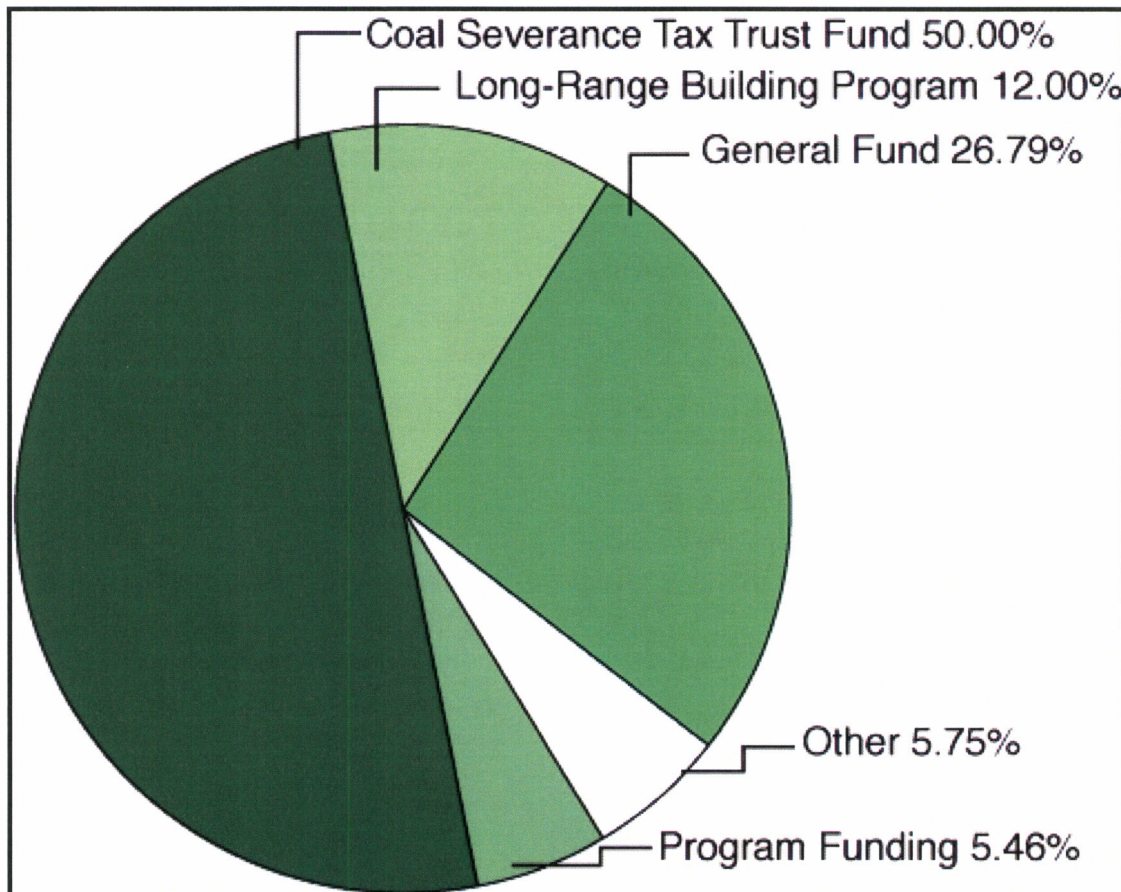
program and debt service accounts are administered by DNRC.

8. Debt service payments on the bonds are due each June 1 and December 1. To the extent that funds on hand in the Debt Service Account are insufficient to pay principal and interest on the bonds when due, funds are transferred into the Debt Service Account from the Bond Fund. On January 1 of each year, funds are transferred into the Debt Service Account from the Bond Fund to the extent necessary to cause the balance in the Debt Service Account to equal one-twelfth of the next two

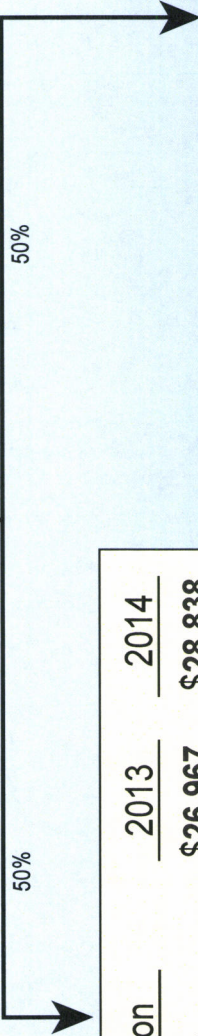
ensuing semiannual debt service payments. DNRC provides written notice to the DOR if funds are needed to pay debt service or to make the required transfer on January 1. On January 1 of each year, DNRC also sweeps the Debt Service Account of funds in excess of one-twelfth of the next two ensuing semiannual debt service payments. The excess is returned to the Bond Fund.

9. On each June 1 and December 1, the state pays debt service on the bonds from amounts on hand in the Debt Service Account. Payments are made by DNRC.

Allocation of Coal Severance Tax - for FY 2014



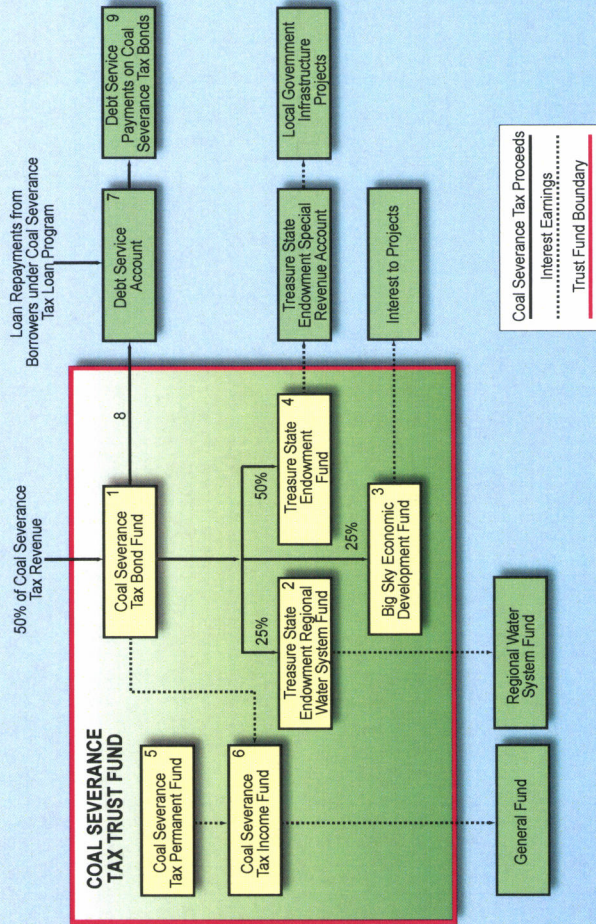
Coal Severance Tax Collections



Account	Allocation	2013	2014
Trust Fund	50%	\$26,967	\$28,838

Coal Severance Tax Spendable Allocation

Coal Severance Tax Trust Fund Flow of Funds Summary



Tax	Allocation	FY 2013 (\$1,000)	FY 2014 (\$1,000)
Coal Severance Tax Collections	100%	\$ 53,934	\$ 57,676
Coal Severance Tax Trust Fund	50.00%	26,967	28,838
General Fund *(23.8% FY13, 26.7% FY 14)	*	12,638	15,203
Long-Range Building Program	12.00%	6,472	6,921
Program Funding	5.46%	2,944	3,149
Other			
Oil, Gas, and Coal Natural Resources *(5.8% FY13, 2.9% FY 14)	*	3,128	1,672
Parks Acquisition and Management Trust	1.27%	684	732
Renewable Resource Loan Debt Service	0.95%	512	548
Cultural and Aesthetic Trust and Capitol Art	0.63%	339	363
Coal and Uranium Mine Permit & Reclamation Payment		250	250

* Allocation % change in each year





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